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SUBJECT: ITU PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE, TORREMOLINOS,
SEPTEMBER 14 - OCTOBER 26, 1973

1. WE HAVE ESTABLISHED GOOD WORKING RELATIONS WITH CHINESE ITU
DELEGATION WHICH REFLECT EARLIER CONTACTS BEGUN AT
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING LAST APRIL.

2. CHINESE INVITED THREE USDEL MEMBERS TO THEIR RECEPTION SEPT 25
AND TREATED US CORDIALLY. HSU WHO IS MEMBER CHINESE GENEVA
MISSION AND SPEAKS PERFECT ENGLISH REITERATED LINE THAT CHINESE
ARE HERE TO OBSERVE AND LEARN. HE POINTED OUT THAT THEIR LARGE
GROUP LISTED AS NUMBERING 24 ACTUALLY INCLUDES ONLY SEVEN DELE-
GATES, THE REST BEING STUDENT INTERPRETERS AND SECRETARIES. BY
WAY OF EXPLAINING INFREQUENT CHINESE INTERVENTIONS HE CITED "OLD
CHINESE PROVERB" THAT WISE MEN SPEAK ONLY AFTER THEY HAVE FULLY
MASTERED THEIR SUBJECT.

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(SUCH APPROACH INCIDENTALLY HAS NOT PREVENTED THEM FROM ATTACKING US-SUPPORTED REGIMES IN VIETNAM, CAMBODIA AND KOREA, ALTHOUGH US CONNECTIONS HAVE NOT BEEN DIRECTLY MENTIONED).

3. ON ISSUE WHETHER FINAL CONFERENCE DOCUMENT SHOULD BE CONSTITUTION OR CONTINUE TO BE CONVENTION, CHINESE TELL US THEIR POSITION IS FLEXIBLE "LIKE YOURS" AND THEY WILL BE GUIDED BY WISHES OF MAJORITY. THIS CONTRASTS WITH STAND NOW BEING TAKEN BY SOVIETS WHO HAVE SWITCHED FROM POSITION OF OPEN-MINDEDNESS TO HARD ONE FAVORING CONSTITUTION. THEY MAKE NO SECRET OF THEIR INTENTION TO PROTECT THEIR CURRENT INTERESTS IN PERMANENT CHARTER WHICH WILL BE PROOF AGAINST TAMPERING BY "NEWER MEMBERS" (READ HERE, THE CHINESE).

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